## **Amendments to the Claims:**

## Claims 1-24 (Canceled)

25. (New) A mobile station, comprising: communication circuitry for processing wireless communication signals; audio processing circuitry for converting between sound and audio signal and for receiving sound from a microphone and for producing sound to a speaker; ,

logic circuitry for prompting the mobile station to transmit a request that a specified message be played to the calling party to advise the calling party that the called party will be taking the call shortly, wherein the mobile station only transmits the request if the called party depressed a select button or key while being alerted that a call was coming in for the called party.

- 26. (New) The mobile station of claim 1 wherein the logic circuitry also is for prompting the mobile station to transmit an indication that the called party is ready to take the call.
- 27. (New) The mobile station of claim 1 wherein the select button is a keypad number button.
- 28. (New) A mobile station, comprising:

  communication circuitry for processing wireless communication signals;

  audio processing circuitry for converting between sound and audio signal and for receiving sound from a microphone and for producing sound to a speaker; and

logic circuitry for prompting the mobile station to complete call connection and then to transmit a message to the calling party to advise the calling party that the called party will be taking the call shortly.

29. **(New)** The mobile station of claim 4 wherein the message is only transmitted if the called party depressed a select button or key while being alerted that a call was coming in for the called party.

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30. (New) The mobile station of claim 5 wherein the microphone is muted until the called party depresses a select key indicating that he is ready to take the call.

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31. (New) The mobile station of claim 5 wherein the speaker is muted until the called party depresses a select key indicating that he is ready to take the call.